

REMARKS

These remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action of May 2, 2008. Claims 1-23 are pending in this application. Claims 5,6,9-12 and 15-22 have been withdrawn. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. Each of the rejections set forth in the Office Action is addressed below.

DECLARATION/ SECTION 102

Attached hereto is a declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, attesting to the fact that the acts relied upon to establish the date of invention prior to the September 13, 2002 priority date of Lin were carried out in the United States.

Accordingly, it is believed that the rejection of claims 1-4, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) has been fully addressed.

CONCLUSION

Pending claims 1-4, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 23 are believed to be in form for allowance, and an indication to that effect is respectfully requested at this time. Examination of withdrawn claims 5,6,9-12 and 15-22 is respectfully requested at this time. If any fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 03-2455.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce M. Russell et al.

Date: September 30, 2008



By: Michael J. Wallace

Reg. No.: 44,486

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY

909 River Road; P.O. Box 1343

Piscataway, NJ 08855-1343

Telephone (732) 878-7157

MJW/gjc